FluBytes



Read my shirt:
"Have you got
your flu vaccine?"

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FLU UPDATES

SCHOOL LOCATED VACCINATION CLINICS

A special supplement of *Pediatrics* was developed to provide a single source of information on the many facets of a School-located Vaccination (SLV) program. Background information on the expansion of influenza recommendations to all persons 6 months of age and older is described in, "Evolution of the Pediatric Influenza Vaccination Program in the United States."

Additional studies in the supplement include:

- "Expanding the Recommendations for Annual Influenza Vaccination to School-Age Children in the United States"
- "A Theoretic Framework to Consider the Effect of Immunizing Schoolchildren Against Influenza: Implications for Research"

VACCINE DEVELOPMENT

GSK announces submissions for two influenza vaccines: Quadrivalent influenza vaccine and H5N1 Influenza vaccine

<u>First Vero Cell Culture-Based Pre-Pandemic Influenza Vaccine</u> Now Approved

INFLUENZA NEWS ARTICLES

- Michigan: Flu starts late; shot still needed
- Maryland tests confirm flu, bacterial co-infections in family case cluster
- <u>Time To Talk About Natural Products for the Flu and Colds: What Does the Science Say?</u>
- Belief in Flu Belief in Flu Shot's Value Boosts Health Workers' UptakeShot's Value Boosts Health Workers' Uptake
- <u>Ferrets as experimental models of influenza in humans</u>
- <u>Influenza Virus Respiratory Infection and Transmission</u> Following Ocular Inoculation in Ferrets

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H5N1 AVIAN INFLUENZA

- Vietnam, Bangladesh report more H5N1 cases
- Vietnam reports 4th bird flu infection
- <u>Details of H5N1 study spark queries from congressman, experts</u>
- Research on contagious H5N1 viruses: Space suits needed?

PANDEMIC PREPARDENESS

According to a study in *PLoS One*, researchers found that people of different political backgrounds, ideologies, and demographic characteristics disagreed on the amount of vaccine to donate to poor nations during the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic

Pandemic Preparedness Related News Articles

 Senator Burr Applauds Senate Passage of His Bill to Better Prepare Nation for the Threat of Pandemics or Bioterror Attacks

FLU RESOURCES

Stay up-to-date with:

MDCH: www.michigan.gov/flu

CDC: www.cdc.gov/flu HHS: www.flu.gov

MDCH'S MONTHLY FLU POSTERS

The March issue of The National Influenza Vaccination Disparities Partnership newsletter is available here.

1st National Immunization Conference Online (NICO) The 1st NICO, a virtual conference, will take place March 26-28, 2012. Workshops will include multiple presentations and will be one hour in length, and will be recorded. For more information go to the CDC's National Immunization Conference section.